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FILING TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith for filing is the Patent Application of:

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and Joseph D. Lichtenhan

For: **NANOSTRUCTURED CHEMICALS AS ALLOYING AGENTS IN
FLUORINATED POLYMERS**

ENCLOSURES

- ☒ 22 page application including specification, claims and abstract;
- ☒ 6 sheets of informal drawings;
- ☒ A Declaration, Power of Attorney & Petition (unsigned);
- ☒ A postcard for return to us as proof of receipt of the above documents.

And

- ☐ An Assignment of the invention to and an assignment cover sheet;
- ☒ A copy of the Notification of Filing a CIP application (Serial No. 09/818,265);
- ☒ A Nonpublication Request;
- ☒ Applicant Claims Small Entity Status;
- ☐ An associate power of attorney;
- ☐ A certified copy of country patent application number (priority document) is enclosed.

TYPE OF FILING

- ☒ This application claims priority from U.S. provisional application serial number 60/459,357 filed March 31, 2003, and is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application No. 09/818,265 filed March 26, 2001, which claims the benefit of U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/192,083 filed March 24, 2000.
- ☒ Please accord Applicant the benefit of the priority date of March 31, 2003, to this case pursuant to 35 USC 119. Applicant's claim for priority is based on U.S. provisional patent application serial no. 60/459,357 filed on said date.
- ☒ This is an application filed pursuant to 37 CFR 1.53, permitting receipt of a filing date upon filing of specification, claims and drawings, if required, with applicant being given a period of one month from the date of notice to file the fee and oath or declaration.
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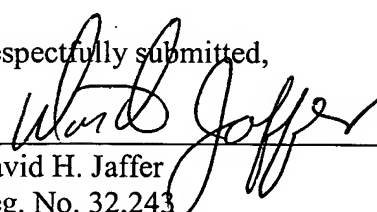
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**NONPUBLICATION REQUEST
UNDER
35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)**

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Title

Nanostructured Chemicals as Alloying
Agents in Fluorinated Polymers

Atty Docket Number

38559-0308764

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application **has not and will not** be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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